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1. MARVIN KALB--CBS-RADIO FROM TOKYO - FIRST LINE REPORT:  
....HERE (JAPAN) OIL IS THE MOVING FORCE OF A SURGING AND  
DYNAMIC SOCIETY AND ECONOMY. OIL IS THE ESSENTIAL IMPORT,  
JAPAN HAS NONE OF IT HERSELF....NOW JAPAN IS SO ANXIOUS  
ABOUT THE ENERGY CRISIS THAT THERE IS SOME SPECULATION  
THAT THE TANAKA GOVT MAY FALL UNLESS THIS CRISIS IS EASED.  
KISSINGER HAS BEEN TO QUITE A FEW ARAB STATES ON THIS TRIP,  
SAUDI ARABIA AND IRAN, THE TWO KEY ONES, REGARDING OIL  
AMONG THEM. PM TANAKA WOULD HAVE BEEN PLEASED TO HEAR  
KISSINGER SAY THAT HE HAS A MAGIC FORMULA FOR SOLVING  
THE ENERGY CRISIS, BUT HE DOESN'T. HE HAS ONLY AN IDEA  
THAT AS THE US CONTINUES TO PLAY AN ACTIVE ROLE IN RE-  
SOLVING THE ARAB-ISRAELI CONFLICT, SAUDI ARABIA FOR ONE  
WILL CHANGE ITS POLICY AND BEGIN TO OPEN THE OIL TAPS FOR  
DELIVERIES TO THE US AND JAPAN. BUT THIS WILL ALL TAKE  
TIME, SKILL AND PATIENCE AND THIS ALSO ASSUMES THAT THE  
ARABS AND THE ISRAELIS WILL COOPERATE WITH ONE ANOTHER  
LONG ENOUGH TO GIVE DIPLOMACY A CHANCE TO WORK ITS SLOW  
MAGIC. IF OIL IS A PROBLEM IN THE US WHERE ONLY ABOUT SIX  
TO TEN PERCENT OF IT IS IMPORTED, IMAGINE WHAT IT IS HERE,  
ONE HUNDRED PERCENT OF IT IS IMPORTED. IT IS A LIGHT AND  
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DARKNESS PROPOSITION, A COLD OR WARM PROPOSITION TOO.....

THIS IS A MODERN SOPHISTICATED SOCIETY AND IT NEEDS OIL, A GREAT DEAL OF IT, IT IS JUST THAT SIMPLE. THE ARABS SAY

JAPAN MUST BREAK DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL. JAPAN HAS BEEN RESISTING THIS ACTION BUT THERE IS LITTLE DOUBT THAT IT MAY BE FORCED TO ACT AS FUEL LEVELS DROP. KISSINGER HAS ALWAYS BELIEVED IN LINKAGE, THE INTER-LOCKING NATURE OF WORLD DIPLOMACY. DURING HIS STAY IN JAPAN HE SEES LINKAGE ENSHRINED INTO A POLICY OF IMPOSED AND RELUCTANT EXPEDIENCY. OIL, OIL FOR THE LAMPS OF JAPAN.

2. BRUCE DUNNING--CBS-RADIO FROM TOKYO: THE MAN MOST RESPONSIBLE FOR KEEPING JAPAN STOCKED WITH OIL, TRADE MINISTER NAKASONE, RUSHED FROM A MEETING WITH HENRY KISSINGER TO A SESSION A HALF HOUR OR SO LATER WITH THE OTHER JAPANESE LEADERS KISSINGER HAS MET, PM TANAKA, FM OHIRA, FINANCE MINISTER AICHI, AND HAVING FAILED TO GET ANYTHING MORE CONCRETE THAN CAUTIOUS HOPE FOR ME PEACE FROM KISSINGER THEY THRASHED OUT THE OPENING ROUND IN WHAT MAY BE A LONG-RUNNING AUSTERITY PROGRAM FOR OIL.

3. HERBERT KAPLOW--ABC-TV - EVENING NEWS FROM TOKYO: THE LAST NIGHT AND ANOTHER BANQUET, THIS TIME THE VISITOR HIRED THE HALL. KISSINGER THE HOST, CHOU THE RANKING GUEST OF HONOR. COMMENTS FROM KISSINGER, SOME WONDERED WHETHER WATERGATE WAS HIS THOUGHT, OFFICIALS LATER SAID IT WAS NOT.

KISSINGER: QTE LET ME THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF ALL OF OUR COLLEAGUES FOR THE WARMTH OF OUR RECEPTION AND FOR THE WORK YOU ENABLED US TO DO HERE AND TO ASSURE YOU THAT THE PROGRESS THAT HAS BEEN MADE IN OUR RELATIONSHIPS WILL BE CONTINUED IN THE YEARS AHEAD, WHATEVER HAPPENS IN THE FUTURE AND WHATEVER THE ADMINISTRATION. UNQTE

THEN THE ROUNDELAY OF TOASTS. A JOINT COMMUNIQUE TODAY SAID THE LEADERS AGREED TO EXPAND TRADE AND CULTURAL, SCIENTIFIC AND JOURNALISTIC EXCHANGES AND TO EXPAND THEIR DIPLOMATIC LIAISON OFFICES IN EACH OTHER'S CAPITAL. THERE ALSO WAS THE SUGGESTION THAT MAO AND CHOU WERE UNCLASSIFIED

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MODERATING THEIR DEMANDS THAT THE US REJECT TAIWAN BEFORE PEKING WOULD AGREE TO FULL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH WASHINGTON. THE FINAL DAY ALSO SAW KISSINGER VISITING A COMMUNE JUST OUTSIDE PEKING....AND NOW KISSINGER IS HERE IN JAPAN TELLING ITS LEADERS ABOUT HIS RECENT VISIT TO CHINA AND ABOUT SOME OF THOSE OTHER COUNTRIES HE JUST VISITED IN WHICH JAPAN HAS SUCH DEEP AND VITAL INTERESTS. RUSH

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